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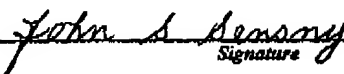
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:


In an Office Action dated January 10, 2005, the Examiner required that the application be restricted to one of eight groups of claims that, the Examiner states, are drawn to separate and distinct inventions.

In response, applicants elect Claims 1, 9 and 17 for prosecution of this application.

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